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## The Editors' Section

FOR this, the first issue of the 1909 BAYONET, we, the Editorial Staff, offer no excuses. While we realize that it is not what it might have been, were we all geniuses, we have done the best we could and only beg that in your criticisms, gentle reader, you will "temper your justice with mercy," and wait for the good things that are to come.

### "Dig In"

BOYS, those of you who are "Old Boys" know what is coming, those who are "New" don't. So, rather than to disappoint the "Old" or to "deprive" the "New," here let us have that ever-living admonition, that never-dying lecture, "Study Hard."

Fellows, it is not the purpose of this article to tell you why you are here, you know that, but to tell you why you ought to study, why you have got to study if you wish to get along. This is an age in which the man who "Knows how" does things, and, boys, he "does" them with the ones who *don't know how*. You will be of the latter if you fail to grasp the opportunity before you

"Know how." "But," some of you will say, "I know of such or such a man who never went to school and he's worth millions now," or, you may cite the opposite case, i. e., that of the Yale and Harvard men running street cars in San Francisco. In answer let me say, that your first-named men were examples of remarkable ability or of extraordinary industry and perseverance. Are you richly endowed with either of these qualities? Do you think that men like those would have fooled away their time had they been put in your position? No! they would have profited by every opportunity now held out to you, and would have been even greater than they are. Of that latter class, one thing only can be said. They did not grasp the opportunities held out to them; *they did not* "Study Hard."

Now, Boys, is the time to decide! Will you be a cog in the "World Wheel," or will you be a driver? Will you be a nonentity, nameless, or will *you* be a "Big Gun" in your chosen work? As you answer, "Yes" or "No" so will you find yourself placed, in the first, with

and at the feet of the world. Boys, the "World" is a hard place for the under-dog.

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WE gladly extend the hand of welcome to our new Professor, Captain Jacobs, of V. M. I. He is already extremely popular and is certainly an efficient teacher.

How "muen glad," too, we are to have Captains Scott and Withers with us again is a quantity too great for expression in mere words.

"Watch us grow" (mentally).

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### Introductory From the Exchange Editor

AT THE beginning of this troublous period of "getting a start," the Exchange Editor wishes to extend his felicitations—at the same time introducing himself—to all the sister papers who have been exchanging with THE BAYONET. And furthermore he ventures to hope that many more will come within the "charmed circle" of our acquaintance this year. He will give you some sort of mention, honorable or otherwise, ac-

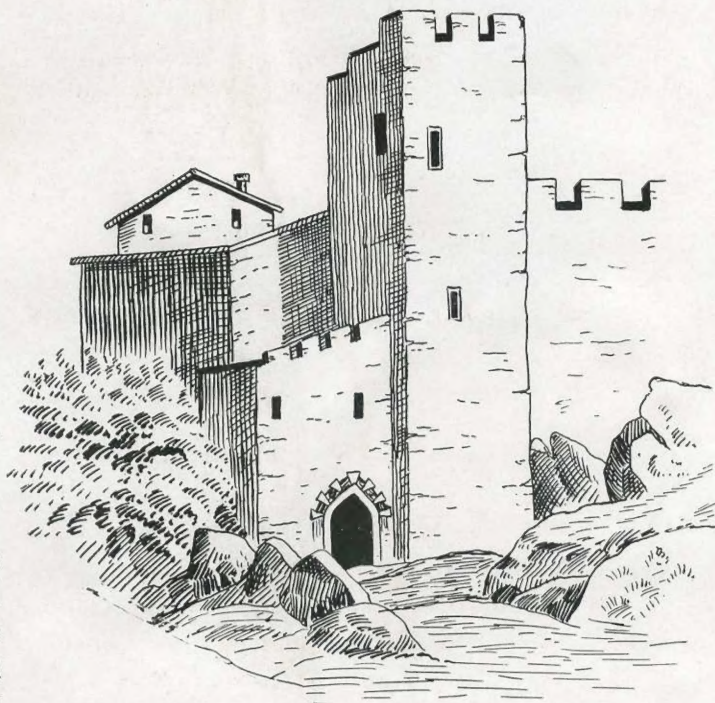


# The Bowen House Ghost

ONE night as James Henry and I were walking down Broad St., we recalled many tales told us about the Bowen House, an old and vacant house that had been used as a hospital during the Civil War.

Old Uncle Alf, who works for us had helped attend the sick and the wounded, and told me many direful tales of the strange things he had seen since then.

Just as James and I were passing the Bowen House, we heard a loud scream. We rushed into Mr. Tompkin's yard, which is next to the Bowen House and as we went around



the corner of his house, we heard a sound as if someone were choking. We looked at the Bowen House and saw a ghost-like figure approaching. We happened to see each other at about the same time, for it set up a howl and came towards us at a run.

This was the last straw, so we took to our heels with the ghost in close pursuit.

As we ran up the street, I looked back to see the figure steadily gaining on us, and as it ran, it seemed as if a fine, white trail was left behind. While we were running, we neared our house and it seemed like the ghost was a foot behind us. When we ran up our front steps, James and I fell down, with the ghost screaming, "Now I have got you, you little imps." Father and the whole family rushed out on the gallery and separated us.

The ghost was Mr. Tompkins, who lived next door to the Bowen House. He had been to town, and while he was away, some boys had fixed a barrel of flour so it would empty its contents on him as he tried to enter his house. Coming along at the time we did, we happened to be mistaken for the guilty boys who had played the tricks.

## SOME MISTAKES I HAVE MADE

I WILL now try to tell you of the most laughable mistakes I have made since coming to A. M. A. On the evening of October 5th, I had been given one of the worst "rough house's," I had ever received. I determined to seek revenge, and made up my mind that I would visit the "New Barracks," that very evening. I set the alarm clock for one o'clock and when it went off I got up. I sneaked down the steps as easily as I could, but it

not to make any noise, the more I would make. I arrived at the "New Barracks" without mishap, but here my troubles started. It took me a long while to decide whether to start at the bottom or the top, but I decided that the top would be the best for me. I started at Carter's room and jerked him out of bed. He set up an awful howl, but I ran straight for Jeffries' room and pulled mattress and all out on the floor. He hit the floor with an awful crash and set up the biggest

howl I ever heard. The place was getting too warm for me and I decided to leave. I ran for the steps and arrived safely at the bottom, but here like a fool, I stopped and Capt. Scott "busted" open his door and grabbed me. He asked me in very choice English what I was doing over there. I tried to make up some kind of an excuse, but it didn't make good and he picked me up and made a record punt.

To tell the truth, I don't think I

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# Our Hallowe'en Party

THE dancing hall of the Academy was the scene of a brilliant social gathering on Monday night. The occasion was a ball given by Miss Maggie Belle Roller and Mrs. C. S. Roller, Jr., to the dancing men of the school and a number of invited guests, in honor of the football team.

Dancing began at nine and continued until one o'clock with an intermission for supper. Among the refreshing and highly entertaining interludes was one consisting of a number of local hits and Hallowe'en absurdities. These were invented for the occasion by some genius of the highest rank, and were ably arranged and managed by Captain McChesney Yarbrough. The latter's brilliant sallies were frequently interrupted by outbursts of applause and appreciation, and his exhibition of elephantine barn-

dancing was a revelation to the spectators. The latter feature was alone "worth the price of admission."

Some pretty german figures were led by Major C. S. Roller and wife, and these combined with a great deal of barn-dancing further served to diversify the amusements of the evening. The "tout ensemble" was somewhat marred by the absence of Captain Scott, who was in society elsewhere, and it is hoped he can be present on future occasions.

There are an unusual number of dancing men in the school this year, and all are looking forward to more such enjoyable events in the near future.

The following furnished the attractions to the scene:

Mrs. C. S. Roller, Jr., Miss Maggie Belle Roller, Miss Flora James, Miss Margaret Palmer, of Phila-

delphia; Misses Emma and Minnie Bell and Willie Whitmore, of Mt. Sidney; Misses Cornelia and Sally Stout, of New Hope; Miss Margaret Byers, Miss Helen McCue, Miss Nannie McCue, Miss Mary Lewis McCue, Misses Mary and Berta Parkins, Misses Carrie and Mary Dudley, Misses Janet and Juliet Miller, Misses Alice and Nannie Sites and Miss Gretchen Bell.

The necessary adjuncts were as follows:

Col. T. J. Roller, Major C. S. Roller, Capt. Jacob, Capt. Yarbrough, Capt. Withers, Cadets Carter, Landes, Collingwood, Ashby, Clemans, Amory, T., Amory, G., Rogers, Fravel, Jarman, Nelson, Heltzen, Clement, Spindle, Pacheco, Carpenter, Parrish, Rountree, Easley, Smith, Messrs. Arch Bell, Cyrus McCue, Chris Parkins, Charlie Byers, Decatur Van Devanter, and J. Edward Black.

## Officers Elected for Session 1909-'10

ON Saturday, October 16th, officers for '09-'10 battalion were elected. All cadets were very much pleased with the order, which reads as follows:

HEADQUARTERS CORPS  
CADETS A. M. A.

Special Order No. 7.

1. The following appointments are made in the corps of cadets and must be obeyed and respected accordingly:

To be Captains:

Cadet Easley,



To be 1st Lieutenant and Adjutant:

Cadet Gunby.

To be 1st Lieutenants:

Cadet Jeffries,  
Cadet Rountree.

To be 2d Lieutenants:

Cadet Welch,  
Cadet Borden.

To be Sergeant-Major:

Cadet Landes.

To be 1st Sergeants:

Cadet Youell,  
Cadet Collingwood.

To be 2d Sergeant and Color Sergeant:

Cadet Fleming.

To be Sergeants:

Cadet McCormick, J.,

To be Sergeants:

Cadet Routt,  
Cadet Hamilton,  
Cadet Cunningham, N.

To be Lance-Corporals:

Cadet McCormick, L.,  
Cadet Barker,  
Cadet Parkins, S.,  
Cadet Parkins, W.

2. A Lance-Corporal is but a temporary office and regular Corporals will be appointed in November, to be selected from the Lance-Corporals and other old cadets in the corps.

By order of

MAJOR ROLLER,



# ATHLETICS



## Officers of Athletic Association

C. E. SMITH.....President  
R. M. YUELL, *Secretary and Treasurer*  
J. E. BLACK, *Manager Athletic Teams*

### Executive Committee

MAJOR C. S. ROLLER, JR.  
W. B. LANDES  
W. B. COLLINGWOOD  
J. E. BLACK

### Football Team

J. E. BLACK .....Captain  
C. S. ROLLER, JR. ....Coach  
R. M. YUELL .....Assistant Captain

OUR "Athletic" outlook for the coming year is exceedingly bright. At the time of this writing our football team has played and won five games.

### A. M. A. O., F. M. S. O.

Our first game was with old Fishburne, played on October, 9th on their field at Waynesboro. Two twenty-minute halves were played; at the end of which the score stood A. M. A. O., F. M. S. O. It was a fiercely fought contest, the ball being seesawed up and down the field, and being equally in each side's territory. Toward the end of the second half, Collingwood tried for a field goal from their twenty yard line, but the kick was blocked, and we lost the ball on a fumble.

The game was clean and well played throughout, and as usual we had no kick coming from our treatment by the F. M. S. team and Student Body, from whom we always receive a square deal. The following is the line up:

F. M. S.		A. M. A.
McIver.....	L. E.	Smith
Woodward.....	L. T.	Nelson
Brown, A.....	L. G.	Heltzen
Brown, W.....	C.	Cuningham
More.....	R. G.	Jarmon-Fravel
Maxwell.....	R. T.	Youell
Wallace.....	R. E.	Shirkey
Melick, Capt.....	Q. B.	Landes
Morrow.....	L. H.	Black, Capt.
Tull.....	R. H.	Ashby
Daughtery.....	F. B.	Collingwood

Referee, Maj. Hudgins, V. M. I.

Umpire, Dr. Roller, U. Va.



### A. M. A. 15, F. M. S. O.

One week later, we met F. M. S. on our grounds and in a hotly contested game, won from them by the score of 15-0. A. M. A. won the toss and defended the south goal. In a series of end runs, line bucks and trick plays, the ball was taken down the field for a touchdown. Collingwood failed to kick goal and with only two minutes to play, the score at the end of the 1st half stood, A. M. A. 5, F. M. S. O.

In the second half Fishburne received the kick but lost it on downs. Five minutes from the start of the half, A. M. A. made another touchdown. Collingwood missed the try for goal. A. M. A. received the kick and in three minutes afterward, by about the same tactics as before, rushed the ball over for the third and last touchdown of the game. Landes missed goal. The game ended with A. M. A. on F. M. S. ten yard line, five minutes having

been taken off this half to enable F. M. S. to catch their train. The whole team played star ball, the bright particular stars being Landes and Youell. The line up was the same as in the first game.

Touchdowns, Black 2, Collingwood, Ref. Berg. S. M. A., Ump., Capt. Jacobs, V. M. I., Field Judge-Col. T. J. Roller.

The winning of this game was the source of great satisfaction to the school as the F. M. S. team has either beaten or tied us every year since 1905.



### A. M. A. 3, H. H. S. O.

On Saturday October, 23d, we beat the strong Harrisonburg High School team, on our grounds. The game was played in the midst of a terrific downpour of rain, and was a laughable spectacle from start to finish.

The only score of the game was made when Collingwood kicked a field goal from their thirty-five yard line, it being made in the second half.

The way the players slipped and slid around was a caution, and it gave weight to the yell of a kid



who, at the end of the game, very aptly yelled "Hog Fight"!

The Harrisonburg team numbers in its line up, former W. L. U., U. Va., and V. M. I. players so we felt quite well satisfied with the low score game. We failed to get their line up.



### A. M. A. 3, W. F. S. 0.

Our next game was with the Woodberry Forest School at Orange, Virginia. After our one hundred mile ride, we did not feel in the very best condition, but succeeded, through the good effort of Collingwood in kicking a difficult goal in turning the trick to the tune of 3-0. At the end of the 1st half we had the ball on "Woodberry's" one yard line on first down, but the Referee's whistle cut short our aspirations towards a touchdown. The line up follows:

#### W. F. S.

#### A. M. A.

Chambers.....	R. E.	Shirkey
Duncan.....	R. T.	Youell
McKissick.....	R. G.	Jarmon
Davis.....	C.	Cunningham
White.....	L. E.	Smith
McLean.....	L. T.	Nelson
Nalle.....	L. G.	Fravel
Hyslop.....	Q. B.	Landes
Harris.....	R. H.	Ashby
Bennett, Capt.	L. H.	Black, Capt.
Hanes.....	F. B.	Collingwood
Ref. Maj. C. S.	Roller, Jr.,	V. M. I.
Umpire, C. H.	Spencer,	W. L. U.

Twenty-minute halves.



### A. M. A. 6, H. H. S. 5.

On Monday, November 8th, we journeyed to Harrisonburg, where we played the strong team of that town and beat them by a very narrow margin.

The game was characterized by

fierce tackling, general roughness, and ragged playing on our part. H. H. S. on a fluke made a touchdown at the beginning of the game, but failed to kick goal. Collingwood came to the front again in this game and kicked two field goals, from their twenty and thirty yard lines respectively. Landes, Youell and Collingwood played well for A. M. A. and "Blandy" Clarkson served as a general reminder to the Harrisonburg team that there was something in their path.

Referee, Col. T. J. Roller,  
Umpire, Prof. Thompson.



## Tennis Club

CAPT. A. M. WITHERS.....President  
W. B. LANDES.....Treasurer

ON Monday, October 4th, the Tennis Club was organized with a membership of about forty. Captain Withers was elected president and Warwick Landes, treasurer.

The dues were raised to one dollar (members take note), as the club has to build another court. The game gives indications of being very popular here this year, and with Coaches, Capt. "Daugherty" Withers and "Bill" Larned Easley, some warm players are sure to be developed.



## Gymnasium

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# The Y. M. C. A.

MOTTO — "SPIRIT, MIND, BODY"

J. K. GUNBY, *President*

J. L. JEFFRIES, *Vice President*

C. C. FLEMING, *Secretary and Treasurer*



FOR all those who are interested in our Association, we take great pleasure in announcing that our prospects for the coming year are very bright, even more so than last year's. In more exact numbers we may say that from sixty to seventy cadets, about forty-five are members, and about twenty of these members are active. Our attendance on the whole has been exceptionally good, as we have

averaged thirty-five cadets so far.

Our first meeting was more or less a business one. Officers were elected and all business pertaining to the Y. M. C. A. was then transacted. After this Colonel Roller gave us a very interesting and helpful talk, by which we were all profited.

Another strong point in this year's Association, is that so many of the fellows have willingly offered to

lead the meetings at any time. This list consists of the following cadets: Jeffries, Carter, Fleming, Landes, Rodgers, Hancock and Gunby.

Fellows, think this over and on Sunday nights make a practice of coming over and meeting with us. See for yourselves what we are doing. We are always glad to have visitors, and each and every cadet is cordially invited to come.

## Academy Personals

Major Roller: (in chemistry) Anderson, what is contained in sea water?

Anderson: Chloride of sodium and-er-

Maj: What else?

Anderson: Fish, sir.

Collingwood: (to the photographer) Now, I want this picture as handsome as possible.

Photographer: I'll attend to that. When I get the finishing touches on you won't know yourself.

Prof. Tom: (in Latin) Bartholdi, what number is this in?

Bartholdi: (napping) Accusative, sir.

Prof. Tom: How old are you any way?

Bartholdi: Five feet six inches, sir.

Maj. Roller: Carpenter, what size shoes do you wear?

Carpenter: (half asleep) 18, sir.

Maj. Roller: Youell what are you limping for?

Youell: Major, I've got a shoe in my nail.

McCormick: (uneasily) Say, Welch, I hear a noise like a watch, somewhere.

Welch: (sleepily) That's nothing it's probably your bed ticking.

Barker: (at table) When we hunted out west my brother killed a big deer and I killed a *thorn*, all in one day.

Fleming: Here come the Ft. Defiance queens after the mail.

Rountree: Here's one male they can have.

Said the Pole to the north star  
"I'm skeery

This long winter night is so dreary"

"Ship ahoy" said the star,  
"Stay right where you are  
"Here's Cook! And, great snakes,  
here comes Peary!"

Collingwood: (in German) The man had two hands and three feet

Capt. Withers: (in English Lit.) Easley, put this sentence in Modern English.

Easley: The sun was rising in the west.

Carter: Say, Colly, what does *Sic Semper Tyrannis* mean?

Collingwood: Get your heel off my head.

Jeffries: (in Latin) Prof., what was Horatius doing at a Bridge Party?

Ft. Defiance Magistrate: (discharging a prisoner) Now, then, I advise you keep away from bad company.

Prisoner: (feelingly) Thank you, sir, you won't see me here any more.

Why did "Billiard Ball" turn back when he got to Staunton?

Dudley: He remembered it was "Liz-day."

Blingo: (after command "Right About Face") I'm glad I'm right about something.



Carter: (on the pike during the passing of the cars in the New York-Atlanta run) "Gee! Here comes a big 'six-cylinder.'"

Blingo: (noticing the wheels) "Why, I thought it was a 'four.'"

Magistrate to Arbenz: "You are accused of driving a machine seventy miles an hour."

Arbenz: "Its a lie; your worship, I was out only one half hour." [Sounds like "benzine."]

"Elic:" What the devil is a "chafin" dish?

Weidman: Fool! Its a frying pan that has got into society.

Capt. Withers: Did you recognize my voice on the phone?

Prof. Tom: No! I recognized the excuse.

Prof. Tom: Opportunity calls just as often as in years gone by.

Carpenter: But with us all huddled up in flats, opportunity is liable to "honk" up the wrong tube.

Prof. Tom: (to third English class) Now anybody; what is the difference between "pro" and "con?"

Cunningham, H.: (quickly) They are spelt different.

Easley: (at supper) Say Russell, this is the third night we've had ham.

Rountree: That's right, they must have killed another cow.

Collingwood: (looking at the Greek letter O) Warrick, what did they scratch this "O" out for?

Landes: (sneeringly) Won't you ever learn anything? That's a Latin letter.

Jeffries: (looking over delinquences) Borden, what does S. F. F. mean?

Borden: School Formation; of course.

Dudley: (at his first sight of a radiator) Say, Youell, where do you put the wood in these things?

CALENDAR OF THE YEAR

Arrive

Bunk

Flunk

Trunk

Capt. Jacobs: (in spelling) Landes how do you spell main.

Landes: M-a-n, sir.

Collingwood: (in German class) Prof., is Isaac the word for Jew in German.

Capt. Yarbrough: Harry, what is the feminine of rat?

Parkins, H.: Mouse, sir.

Cunningham, H.: (reading Latin) The boy became a great statesman.

Prof. Tom: Well, you'll never become one at that rate.

Capt. W: Where did the Greeks get their start in painting?

Clemmer: Out of an old Roman grave.

Clemmer: Captain, if Adam and Eve hadn't eaten the apple, we wouldn't be going to A. M. A., and walking guard duty, would we?



Introductory from the  
Exchange Editor

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cording as you may deserve, and also in accordance with the deference and respect with which you meet our advances. Please remember, if he "cusses you out," that it is done in a spirit characterized by the utmost *sang froid*, and a profound knowledge of the fundamental principles of criticism, as handed down by the masters of that art. He will write nothing while in the heat of passion, nor anything prompted by malicious intent.

All into whose hands this may fall are earnestly requested to "be good," and exchange with us. We want you to help us, and we desire, if possible, to help you. To this end we begin by wishing you all the due reward of your labors. May you have, as we are going to have, the most successful season of your career.



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## Alumni Notes

THE following members of last year's corps are attending the Virginia Military Institute: C. C. Hastie, A. H. Mitchell, B. W. Leonard, A. F. Kibler, T. B. Sterrett, R. J. Howard.

At Virginia Polytechnic Institute are, F. A. Wyant, Sidney Miller, J. W. A. Holmes, H. W. Rountree.

At University of Virginia, C. J. Churchman, T. A. Nalle.

At Washington and Lee University, A. C. Pole, Jack Kirkpatrick.

At Davidson College, J. N. Van Devanter, Jr.

Chas. J. Churchman, last year's Editor-in-Chief of the BAYONET, and all-round star in athletics, paid us two welcome visits during the month.

"Blandy" Clarkson, of Millboro, another of last year's stars, and Jack Bell, of Bluefield, also cheered our hearts by mingling with us again for a few days.

Mr. P. G. M. Nelson, corps of '06-'07, in a recent letter to Colonel wished the football and baseball teams the best of luck this year. We are going to have it anyway, but thank him, nevertheless, for the suggestion.



### Some Mistakes I Have Made

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would have landed yet if it hadn't been for the pillar on the porch. I picked myself up and broke all records for dashes by getting to my room in six seconds.

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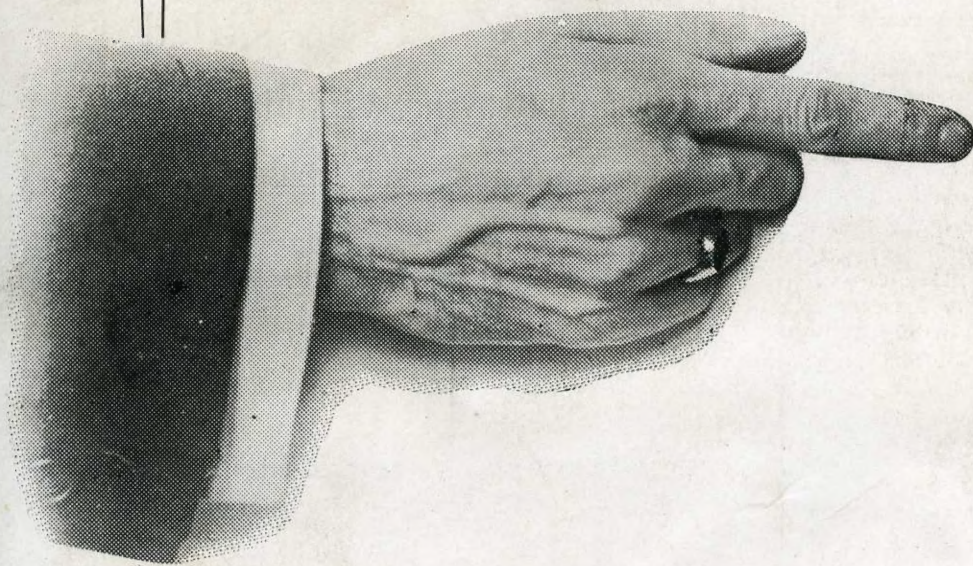


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